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H. RES. 390

Recognizing the importance of the Ouachita National Forest on its 100th anniversary.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 9, 2007

Mr. Ross (for himself, Mr. Berry, Mr. Snyder, and Mr. Boozman) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the importance of the Ouachita National Forest on its 100th anniversary.

- Whereas on December 18, 1907, President Theodore Roosevelt created by proclamation the Arkansas National Forest on reserved public domain lands south of the Arkansas River;
- Whereas on April 29, 1926, President Calvin Coolidge issued an Executive Order to change the name of the Arkansas National Forest to the Ouachita National Forest to reflect both the name of the mountains embraced by the national forest and the name of the principal river which drains the national forest;
- Whereas Ouachita is the French spelling of a Native American word meaning "good hunting ground";

Whereas the Ouachita National Forest today encompasses approximately 1.8 million acres in Arkansas and eastern Oklahoma and offers a variety of recreation areas, scenic areas, wilderness areas, historic resources, and timber and other forest products to the Nation; and

Whereas the Ouachita National Forest is the largest and oldest national forest in the southern region of the United States: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved, That on the 100th anniversary of the cre-
- 2 ation of the Ouachita National Forest, the House of Rep-
- 3 resentatives recognizes the important contributions of the
- 4 Ouachita National Forest to the success of the United
- 5 States in conserving the environment and ensuring that
- 6 our natural resources remain sources of pride for our citi-
- 7 zens, our communities, and our Nation.

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